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## Florida

**Weather:** Temperatures averaged 1-2 degrees above normal for the month of July. Various parts of the State had decent showers, but towards the end of the month, several counties in the northern and central regions recorded little rain. High temperatures were in the 90s and 100s. Areas in the Panhandle that received significant rains had excellent crop growth, but caused challenges for weed management. Weather in the Lake Okeechobee and Everglades area proved to be ideal growing conditions for sugarcane. Armyworms were problematic for pasture. Fungicides and herbicides were applied on peanuts for disease control. During the second week of July, field crops were suffering due to extreme heat conditions coupled with lack of rainfall. Dry conditions and high temperatures caused significant stress on peanuts and cotton. Some peanut pegs were burning off due to the heat and cotton was hindered from setting bolls. Towards the end of July, peanut pegging was 80% complete and the condition was rated 2% poor, 25% fair, 60% good, and 13% excellent.

**Cotton:** Production is expected to total 145,000 bales compared to 117,500 bales harvested last year. Yield per acre is set at 800 pounds, up 11 percent from the 723 pounds per acre for the 2009 crop. Acreage to be harvested is estimated at 87,000 acres, up 9,000 acres from a year ago.

**Peanuts:** Harvested acreage is forecast at 120,000 acres, up 15,000 acres from last year. Yield is expected to average 2,900 pounds per acre, down 300 pounds from the 2009 crop yield. Production is set at 348 million pounds, up from the 336 million pounds produced last year.

**Sugarcane:** Production for both sugar and seed is set at 14.3 million tons, up 3 percent from the 13.9 million tons produced last year. Yield is expected to average 35.7 net tons per acre close to the 36.0 net tons in 2009. Producers expect to harvest 401,000 acres for the season, 4 percent above the 387,000 acres harvested in 2009.

**Sweet Potatoes:** (Mostly boniatos) Planted acres for 2010 are 3,500 and expected acres for harvest in 2010 is 3,400.

## United States

**Cotton:** Production is forecast at 18.5 million 480-pound bales, up 52 percent from last year's 12.2 million bales. Yield is expected to average 837 pounds per harvested acre, up 60 pounds from last year. Upland cotton production is forecast at 18.0 million 480-pound bales, 53 percent above 2009.

**Other hay:** Production is forecast at 81.4 million tons, up 7 percent from last year, and if realized will be the second highest production level on record. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 2.09 tons per acre, up 0.11 ton from last year. If realized, this will be a record high yield, surpassing the 2.06 tons per acre in 2004. Harvested area is forecast at 38.9 million acres, unchanged from June but up 1 percent from 2009.

**Peanuts:** Production is forecast at 4.04 billion pounds, up 10 percent from last year. Area for harvest is expected to total 1.26 million acres, unchanged from June but up 17 percent from 2009. Yields are expected to average 3,204 pounds per acre, down 208 pounds from last year. Planted area, at 1.29 million acres, is unchanged from the June estimate. Production in the Southeast States (Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina) is expected to total 3.02 billion pounds, up 8 percent from last year's production. Yields in the region are expected to average 3,182 pounds per acre, 191 pounds below last year's average yield.

**Corn:** Production is forecast at a record high 13.4 billion bushels, up 2 percent from the previous record set in 2009. Based on conditions as of August 1, yields are expected to average a record high 165.0 bushels per acre, up 0.3 bushel from last year's record of 164.7.

**Soybeans:** Production is forecast at a record high 3.43 billion bushels, up 2 percent from last year. Based on August 1 conditions, yields are expected to average 44.0 bushels per acre, unchanged from last year's record high yield. Area for harvest in the United States, is forecast at 78.0 million acres, unchanged from June but up 2 percent from 2009.

**Sugarcane:** Production of sugarcane for sugar and seed is forecast at 30.3 million tons, down fractionally from 2009. Production increases are expected in Florida and Texas, while decreases are expected in Hawaii and Louisiana. Producers intend to harvest 883,200 acres for sugar and seed in 2010, up 19,300 acres from the *Acreage* report and up 9,300 acres from last year. Expected yield is forecast at 34.3 tons per acre, down 0.5 ton from 2009.

**Winter wheat:** Production is forecast at 1.52 billion bushels, up 1 percent from the July 1 forecast and up slightly from 2009. Based on August 1 conditions, the United States yield is forecast at 47.5 bushels per acre, up 0.6 bushel from last month and 3.3 bushels above last year. If realized, this will be the second highest yield on record, trailing only 1999. Expected grain area totals 32.1 million acres, down 7 percent from last year but unchanged from last month.

Crop Production: Acreage for Harvest and Forecasts of Yield and Production for Florida and United States as of August 1, 2010 with Comparisons

[Data are the latest estimates available, either from the current report or from previous reports. Current year estimates are for the full 2010 crop year.]

Crop	Harvested acreage		Yield per acre		Unit	Production	
	2009	For harvest 2010	2009	Indicated 2010		2009	Indicated 2010
	(thousands)	(thousands)				(thousands)	(thousands)
<b>Florida</b>							
Cotton <sup>1</sup> .....	78.0	87.0	723.0	800.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	117.5	145.0
Peanuts .....	105.0	120.0	3,200.0	2900.0	pounds	336,000.0	348,000.0
Potatoes:							
Spring .....	28.9	31.0	266.0	244.0	cwt	7,700.0	7,550.0
Sugarcane .....	387.0	401.0	36.0	35.7	net tons	13,939.0	14,316.0
Sweet Potatoes.....	*3.2	3.4	110.0	(NA)	cwt	*352.0	(NA)
<b>United States</b>							
Corn for Grain .....	79,590.0	81,005.0	164.7	165.0	bushels	13,110,062.0	13,365,225.0
Cotton, All <sup>1</sup> .....	7,528.7	10,631.0	777.0	837.0	( <sup>1</sup> )	12,187.5	18,533.8
Hay, Alfalfa .....	21,227.0	20,732.0	3.35	3.49	tons	71,030.0	72,455.0
Hay, All Other .....	38,528.0	38,924.0	1.98	2.09	tons	76,412.0	81,439.0
Peanuts for Nuts .....	1,081.0	1,261.0	3,412.0	3,204.0	pounds	3,688,350.0	4,040,800.0
Potatoes:							
Winter .....	8.7	(NA)	245.0	(NA)	cwt	2,132.0	(NA)
Spring .....	73.7	89.6	289.0	291.0	cwt	21,321.0	26,060.0
Summer.....	42.7	38.5	340.0	339.0	cwt	14,522.0	13,061.0
Fall .....	919.6	882.3	428.0		cwt	393,503.0	
Rice .....	3,103.0	3,493.0	7,085.0	7,039.0	( <sup>2</sup> )	219,850.0	245,882.0
Sorghum for Grain .....	5,520.0	5,176.0	69.4	74.1	bushels	382,983.0	383,435.0
Soybeans for Beans.....	76,372.0	77,986.0	44.0	44.0	bushels	3,359,011.0	3,433,370.0
Sugarbeets .....	1,148.6	1,146.0	25.7	28.3	tons	29,563.0	32,425.0
Sugarcane for							
Sugar and Seed .....	873.9	883.2	34.8	34.3	net tons	30,432.0	30,308.0
Sweet Potatoes.....	96.9	110.2	201.0	(NA)	cwt	19,469.0	(NA)
Tobacco, All.....	354.2	327.4	2,322.0	2,210.0	pounds	822,567.0	723,543.0
Wheat:					bushels		
Winter.....	34,485.0	32,085.0	44.2	47.5	bushels	1,522,718.0	1,522,902.0
Durum .....	2,428.0	2,588.0	44.9	42.0	bushels	109,042.0	108,781.0
Other Spring.....	12,955.0	13,590.0	45.1	46.6	bushels	584,411.0	633,245.0

\* Revised.  
NA Not available  
<sup>1</sup> Production ginned and to be ginned. Yield in pounds, production in 480 pound net weight bales.  
<sup>2</sup> Yield in pounds, production in hundredweight. Includes sweet rice production.